CLO2: Develop game systems that integrate multiple components, including Al and system architectures

2.1: Identify core components within game systems (e.g., Al and player interaction)

In this project, the core components include:

- Al Controller (Enemy): Reacts to player proximity and visibility using raycasting and NavMesh pathfinding.
- **Player Controller**: Allows user input (WASD/Arrow keys) to move the player across the map.
- **Environment (Obstacles)**: Objects that impact visibility and pathfinding for Al and offer strategic hiding spots for the player.
- State Machine Architecture: The AI transitions between Patrolling, Chasing, and Searching states depending on the player's presence.

These components work together to deliver dynamic interactions between the **player and AI**, forming the core of the gameplay system.

2.3: Design systems that facilitate communication between game components, ensuring smooth interaction and system cohesion

Your AI system demonstrates effective communication between components:

- Al uses Raycast and Distance Checks to sense the player's position.
- It **transitions between states** (Patrol, Chase, Search) based on real-time conditions like visibility and distance.
- Player behavior affects AI (e.g., hiding behind obstacles triggers the "Search" state).
- The use of **shared scripts and references** (like Transform player) ensures data flow between the AI and the Player.

This results in **smooth and cohesive system behavior** across multiple components.

CLO3: Apply industry-standard C# programming techniques to build flexible and maintainable game systems

3.1: Implement interfaces and design patterns in C# to create reusable and modular game code

Your AI code demonstrates maintainable design practices:

- Finite State Machine (FSM):
 - Clearly separates logic for each state (Patrolling, Chasing, Searching).
 - Allows for **easy expansion** (e.g., adding "Attack" or "Flee" states later).

Modularity:

 Patrol logic, detection logic, and transitions are independently structured in functions.

• Reusability:

• The Al script is **not hardcoded** to specific players or waypoints—it works with any assigned references.

CLO4: Integrate Al-driven systems to enhance gameplay and player interaction in Unity

4.1: Implement AI behaviors using Unity's tools, such as NavMesh and state machines

In your project, AI behaviors are implemented using:

- Unity NavMesh & NavMeshAgent:
 - Handles pathfinding and movement across terrain.
 - Reacts to obstacles, walls, and player movement.

• Custom FSM (Finite State Machine):

Built using enum and switch to manage state transitions.

• Raycasting & Field of View Logic:

o Mimics realistic vision, allowing AI to detect and chase players only when visible.

These are **industry-standard Unity tools** combined with structured C# logic.

4.2: Evaluate the interaction between Al systems and other game systems for balance

You evaluated and tested:

Obstacle Interaction:

• Al avoids or is blocked by environment objects (walls, cover).

• Detection Tuning:

 Adjusted field of view and detection range for balance — Al shouldn't be too easy or too hard to escape.

Player-Al Dynamics:

 When the player hides, Al realistically searches last seen position before returning to patrol.

Navigation Re-Baking:

 Every time you added obstacles, you rebaked the NavMesh to maintain realistic movement.